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People participate in a silent march against violence in January. The march, which was organized by St. Sabina Church, made stops at locations where people had been shot.

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A DEADLY BEGINNING

CHICAGO SEES MOST JANUARY-FEBRUARY HOMICIDES SINCE '97

By Jeremy Gerner, Peter Nickeas and Liam Ford | CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Amid a spike in shootings, Chicago has witnessed its deadliest start to the year in nearly two decades, according to crime statistics.

With January and February complete, the Chicago Police Department counts 95 homicides, the same as in 1999. There hasn't been a deadlier start to the year since 1997, when the city had 101 homicides in the first two months and 761 for the full year.

The official police count includes only violent deaths considered criminal. This year's toll rises to at least 102 if all violent deaths are counted, including a man shot by police and two alleged robbers killed by a shop owner in a shooting considered justified by investigators. By that same measure, there were 52 violent deaths by Feb. 28 last year—about half this year's total, according to data compiled by the Tribune.

The rise in violence this year has been concentrated mostly through neighborhoods on

Chicago's South Side and West Side that for decades have been stricken by poverty and a lack of investment from the city, and that are plagued by gang activity and drug sales.

The surge in violence comes at a tumultuous time for the department as it tries to move past fallout over the court-ordered release late last year of a dashboard camera video showing a Chicago police officer shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times as the teen walked away from police with a knife in his hand.

The video, which was starkly at odds with the police account of the shooting, led to murder charges against Officer Jason Van Dyke, weeks of street protests, the firing of longtime police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, calls for Mayor Emanuel to resign and the launch of a U.S. Justice Department investigation of the department.

Police officials blame the uptick in homicides on intensifying gang conflicts that often lead to retaliatory violence, including disputes that start on social media platforms such as Facebook and Twitter.

"While the Chicago Police Department is taking action to keep our communities safe, gun violence driven primarily by gang

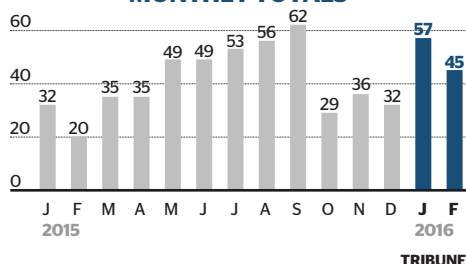
2016 HOMICIDES

According to the Tribune's count, there were 102 homicides in January and February. By the CPD's count, which includes only criminal violent deaths, those months saw 95 homicides. The rise in violence has been concentrated in neighborhoods on the South and West sides.

YEARLY TOTALS

102	488
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MONTHLY TOTALS



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violence is unacceptable and CPD continues to aggressively target those responsible, especially in neighborhoods where gang activity is most active.

Meanwhile, officers within the department have told the Tribune that the McDonald shooting has made them less aggressive on the street out of fear that doing even basic police work will get them into trouble. They say criminals are taking advantage of their passive approach.

Criminologists, though, say there's no evidence to suggest that criminals are exploiting officers' reluctance to do their jobs.

This past weekend, in which Chicago experienced spring-like weather, at least two people were killed and 24 wounded in shootings throughout the city. One of those killed was Shari Graham, a 30-year-old mother of three young children who was shot Friday night as she sat in a cab about two blocks south of U.S. Cellular Field.

Graham, who had returned to Chicago from Texas at Christmastime, was looking for work as a nurse.

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Could crowdsourced data turn in-flight Wi-Fi around?

By Meg Graham | BLUE SKY INNOVATION

A team of Chicago-area researchers wants to turn in-flight Wi-Fi into something that you'd gladly fork over \$40 for.

The team, led by Northwestern University McCormick School of Engineering professor Fabián Bustamante, has launched Wi-Fly, an application to figure out where in-flight Wi-Fi is struggling.

Wi-Fly measures connectivity during a flight. Users go to the app and enter their flight number, then speed test results appear as the plane travels.

Bustamante, before deciding to pursue the project, had a few particularly egregious in-flight Wi-Fi experiences, feeling as if "I was paying for Fiber—and I was getting dial-up."

Bustamante said the collection of data about connectivity could result in research that could improve communications services that support the air-traffic management systems.

"Nobody knows really what the performance is like," he said. "Everybody complains, we know it's bad, but we don't know how bad it is."

Bustamante said the group plans to collect research for at least the next few years, with preliminary results released in six months.

The site launched in the wake of a lawsuit filed against Chicago-based in-flight Wi-Fi provider Gogo by American Airlines earlier this month, saying the airline could receive faster Internet service from competitor ViaSat. American asked the court to confirm a provision in its contract with Gogo allowing the airline to renegotiate or terminate its deal if it could find better service, and dropped the suit after Gogo said it would submit a bid to install its faster 2Ku satellite service on American's fleet.

The lawsuit ignited a new round of discussion about in-flight Wi-Fi, which varies wildly

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—Fabián Bustamante, Wi-Fly team leader

in price and is notoriously slow.

Tim Farrar, principal at TMF Associates, a mobile data-service consulting firm, said it can be tricky to break down the quality of

Wi-Fi by provider or airline, since so much of performance has to do with time of day or location. That might make it tough for consumers to make decisions about which airline and provider they'd go with—even if more data was available.

"Late in the evening, when lots of people are asleep, you'll get better service than if you're flying in the middle of the day when people are flying around and want to get work done," he said.

As technology improves, Farrar said, airlines will have to make decisions regarding quality and pricing for consumers.

"Clearly the capabilities are going to improve; everyone is working on better technology, new satellites are going to be launched, people are upgrading their aircrafts," Farrar said.

As airlines gain more control over service, they will continue to experiment with different models. Right now, for example, Southwest Airlines provides free Internet to A-List Preferred Members, while JetBlue makes it free for all passengers. On Alaska Airlines, which uses Gogo, customers can buy an all-day pass for \$16.

"You're prepared to be a lot more forgiving of a free service than you are of something you're paying \$40 for," Farrar said.

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States considering fantasy sports bills

Associated Press

The daily fantasy sports debate is raging in state capitols across the country. About 30 legislatures—including in Illinois—are considering different proposals, roughly double last year's total. Many of the bills are variations of an industry-backed proposal criticized by the National Council on Problem Gambling and others as too vague.

The flurry of recent legislative activity represents a sea change for the industry, which for years was content to operate largely unregulated. "We've been operating in this gray area for a long time, and, up until now, it hasn't really been a problem," said Peter Schoenke, chairman of the Fantasy Sports Trade Association, which hired about 65 lobbying firms in 44 states to push bills favorable to the industry. "What we want to do in all of these states is to clarify that it is legal."

A 2006 federal law banned online gambling but specifically exempted fantasy sports, paving the way for the creation of the niche industry that's since exploded in popularity, prompting policymakers to take a closer look.

Companies like Boston's DraftKings and New York's FanDuel have argued that their contests aren't gambling because the games require more skill than luck.

Most bills filed so far seek to impose licensing and registration fees on fantasy sports companies. Industry watchers are concerned that some of the bills are still too vague.

Chris Grove, editor of the Legal Sports Report, a Nevada-based publication, said the definition of "fantasy contests" used in many of the industry-backed bills doesn't specifically limit competitions to sports. Fantasy contests based on award shows, political debates, even spelling bees could theoretically be permissible, he said.

"The broader and vaguer the definition, the more likely it becomes that operators will push the limits of that definition," Grove wrote in a recent analysis.

Schoenke said the industry isn't opposed to bills refining that language, as some lawmakers have already done.

"The intent of my legislation is to define daily fantasy contests as those involving

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sports," said Illinois Rep. Michael Zalewski, a Democrat who introduced a version of the industry bill that includes the "fantasy contests" definition in question. "I'm confident through corrective drafting and legislative intent, we can address concerns."

Advocates for problem gamblers, meanwhile, are concerned the bills don't go far enough to protect consumers.

"They're absolutely inadequate," said Keith Whyte, head of the National Council on Problem Gambling. "Regulating fantasy sports without decent minimum standards will exacerbate gambling addiction problems."

The industry-backed bill, introduced in many states as the "Fantasy Contests Act," requires companies to verify that players are 18 or older, ban employees and their relatives from competing in cash contests, allow players with gambling problems to limit or restrict their play and segregate player funds from the company's operational funds, among other things.

The National Council on Problem Gambling suggests that lawmakers impose more stringent age verification measures and require operators to prominently post gambling addiction resources on their websites.

Schoenke said the industry is open to more specific legislative requirements. DraftKings and FanDuel say they already use a multistep process to verify the age and location of players, post gambling addiction information online and allow players to limit their play.

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White Sox pitcher
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DANKS: 'I'D LIKE TO GO OUT ON TOP'



By Colleen Kane | CHICAGO TRIBUNE

If this is John Danks' final turn with the White Sox, the veteran left-hander would like to leave behind a more favorable impression than he has the past couple of seasons.

Danks, 30, will make the first Cactus League start Thursday against the Dodgers, prepping for the final season of a five-year, \$65 million contract.

He signed that deal less than a year before his 2012 shoulder surgery and has been chasing his pre-surgery production ever since. Heading into free agency after this season, he has plenty riding on his ability to put together a solid year at the back end of the Sox rotation.

"The way I look at it is I need to throw out a good year this year, and that will take care of itself," Danks

said. "I'm really not thinking about anything other than trying to help us win ballgames. It's been a couple of tough years personally and as a team. Who knows, this could be my last shot here, and I'd like to go out on top."

Danks is the longest-tenured Sox player, after arriving to the club via a trade with Texas in 2006. He hasn't pitched for any other team since making his major-league debut with the Sox in 2007.

But he said he tries not to think about what life would be like after Chicago, where he has worked with pitching coach Don Cooper his entire career.

"You understand where you sit with all that and understand what the future holds," Danks said. "If I can go out there and have a good season

Why you should care

The White Sox have two terrific starting pitchers in Chris Sale and Jose Quintana. The other three spots are a bit of a mystery, and the Sox will have to find capable candidates if they are going to rebound from their 76-86 season in 2015.

and be consistent, it will take care of itself."

Danks called 2015 "a tale of two seasons," but at least ended the year on the better note.

He hit a low in June of last season, when he went 0-4 with a 6.85 ERA in 22 1/3 innings in four starts, but he pitched three scoreless outings of at least six innings in July and was more consistent in the final two months. He ended the year with a 4.71 ERA over 177 2/3 innings.

"The first half was miserable, and it wasn't for a lack of hard work or

trying," Danks said. "It just didn't work out. For whatever reason, the second half, I felt a little more comfortable, had a little more success, was a little more consistent. So I know it's there. I just have to go out and throw a full season together. I've done it before. I know I'm capable of it. I just have to go do it."

For all his time with the Sox, Danks has experienced the postseason only once, in the 2008 AL Division Series. He said the Sox aren't looking too much beyond jumping to a good start in the first month of the season.

"You already kind of hear talks about getting off to a fast start in April," Danks said. "We'll worry about April and then see what happens. The goal is to be in the playoffs, to be in the hunt, to have a shot to win it, but that's fun. That's why we play."

JAKE TAKES THE BALL

It came as no surprise Tuesday morning as manager Joe Maddon named Jake Arrieta as the Cubs' opening night starter April 4 against the L.A. Angels. Arrieta, the 2015 National League Cy Young Award winner, will make his second opening day start. He led Baltimore to a 4-2 win in its 2012 opener. Arrieta, 29, posted a 22-6 record and 1.77 ERA in 33 starts in leading the Cubs to the playoffs. "He's very excited about it," Maddon said. "He's earned that right to be named that particular opening day starter." —MARK GONZALES, CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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Christina Sidiropoulos (left) and Bethany Whitehead at Louie's Pub
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SING LIKE EVERYONE IS WATCHING

YOUR GUIDE TO BELTING IT OUT AT KARAOKE BARS EVERY NIGHT OF THE WEEK

By Heather Schroering | REDEYE

Within each of us lives an undiscovered Tina Turner or budding Frank Sinatra just waiting to be unleashed into a dark bar by way of a microphone and sound system. Or so we think. But with a little liquid courage and a lot of conviction, we can all be karaoke stars. These 16 bars will help feed those musical cravings every night of the week with private rooms for the shy songbirds, live bands for advanced folks and everything in between. @HITSHEATHER | HSCROERING@REDEYECCHICAGO.COM; ADDITIONAL REPORTING BY REDEYE'S MORGAN OLSEN.

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It's a true karaoke party at this hip Avondale dive where the sing-alongs are as plentiful as the Polish beer. It's worth a visit if only for longtime karaoke jockey Fred Wood's witty one-liners and props, such as guitars and inflatable saxophones. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 11 p.m.-3:30 a.m. and Saturday 11 p.m.-4:30 a.m.

Louie's Pub

1659 W. North Ave.
773-227-7947

Expect a crowd and some A-plus show tune performances on any given night at this Wicker Park bar with songs on demand and wireless mics. In case of stage fright, karaoke jockeys will provide backup vocals upon request. Tuesday through Sunday starting at 8 p.m.

Holiday Club

4000 N. Sheridan Road
773-348-9600

Get weird in the photo booth, order a basket of tots and request your favorite song at this Rat Pack-themed bar and restaurant that's located right off the Sheridan Red and Purple Line stop. Monday 10 p.m.-1:30 a.m. and Wednesday 10 p.m.-2 a.m.

Rory Lake's Karaoke Dreams at American Legion FDR Post 923

1824 W. Cortland St.
773-278-0093

Though a neighborhood American Legion bar may not be your regular hangout, karaoke fans flock

to the Bucktown spot for cheap drinks and amateur entertainment where KJ/backup singer and dancer Rory has been known to incorporate costumes, light shows and sound effects. You'll want to arrive early to get a song in. The next date is set for March 19 at 9 p.m., but keep an eye on rorylakepresents.com for more.

Blue Frog's Local 22

22 E. Hubbard St. 312-527-1200

The original karaoke dive on LaSalle Street closed, but the sportier River North hangout remains for beer and a burger with a side of karaoke five nights a week. Tuesday through Saturday starting at 10 p.m. (9 p.m. on Friday).

Mary's Attic

5400 N. Clark St. 773-784-6969

Fight Sunday scares in Andersonville with an enormous catalog of songs and a rack of costumes that performers are invited to wear as they sing along on stage. Head back on Wednesdays for MaryOke Unplugged, where singers are accompanied by a live guitarist. Sunday 9:30 p.m.-2 a.m. and Wednesday 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Carol's Pub

4659 N. Clark St. 773-334-2402

Billed as one of the last standing honky-tonk bars in Chicago, head to Uptown for Western-themed karaoke every Thursday at 9 p.m.

Brando's Speakeasy

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This South Loop speakeasy-style bar is known for its on-demand karaoke, every day any time of



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Sakura Karaoke Bar

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Get your song on at this Lakeview bar self-proclaimed "Chicago's best karaoke" (with the neon sign to prove it) that's conveniently located just off the Belmont Red, Brown and Purple Line stop seven nights a week starting at 7:30 p.m.

No. 18 Karaoke

2201 S. Wentworth Ave.
312-225-0600

Located above Little Lamb Hot Pot, this clubby Chinatown karaoke bar offers a variety of public and private rooms, neon lights, posh booths and a full bar. Monday through Thursday 6 p.m.-1 a.m., Friday and Saturday 5:30 p.m.-3 a.m. and Sunday 5:30 p.m.-2 a.m.

Beer on Clark

3415 N. Clark St. 773-975-6677

Take advantage of nightly drink specials, comfort food

and karaoke every night of the week at this Wrigleyville spot. Sunday through Friday 9 p.m.-2 a.m. and until 3 a.m. Saturday.

Clark St. Karaoke at Lowcountry

3343 N. Clark St. 773-996-9997

Private rooms and bottle service await for karaokeers at this Wrigleyville joint beneath seafood boil spot Lowcountry. Thursday through Saturday 7 p.m. to midnight. Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday by reservation only.

Lincoln Karaoke

5526 N. Lincoln Ave.
773-895-2299

Plan a party, rent a room, shake around light-up tambourines and let the musical debauchery begin at this Lincoln Square spot. Sunday through Friday 7 p.m.-2 a.m. and Saturday until 3 a.m.

Sakura Karaoke Bar

234 W. Cermak Road
312-326-9168

Grab a fancy cocktail and jump on stage to perform for the room under clubby neon

lights at this Chinatown underground bar. Perks include more than 100,000 Asian and American pop songs and eight recently built private rooms that can be reserved. 6 p.m.-2 a.m. daily.

Piece Pizzeria & Brewery

1927 W. North Ave.
773-772-4422

Grace the same stage that music prodigies such as Cheap Trick's Rick Nielsen and audio engineer Steve Albini have performed for live-band karaoke. Despite BMI's recent lawsuit against the Wicker Park pizza spot for allegedly neglecting to pay royalties for certain songs played, the show still goes on every Saturday at 11 p.m.

Roscoe's Tavern

3356 N. Halsted St.
773-281-3355

Sing it loud and proud at the Boystown bar's live band karaoke night every Monday starting at 10 p.m. Specials include \$5 flavored whiskey shots and vodka bombs and \$15 long island iced tea pitchers.

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By RedEye staff

Whether you're looking for a tried-and-true favorite or just think it's funny to picture us belting out these bangers, here are our staff's top picks for karaoke.

"Uptown Funk" by Bruno Mars

—Rianne Coale, transit reporter

"It's All Coming Back to Me Now" by Celine Dion

—Maggie Wartik, general manager

"Your Love" by The Outfield

—Sara Amato, designer

"99 Problems" by Jay Z

—Morgan Olsen, Eat & Drink editor

"Shake It Off" by Taylor Swift

—Aly Morris, design director

"The Chain" by Fleetwood Mac

—Josh Terry, music reporter

"Before He Cheats" by Carrie Underwood

—Jordan Monroe Schultz, Web editor

"Wind Beneath My Wings" by Bette Midler

—Lisa Donovan, news editor

"She Bangs" by Ricky Martin

—Annie Cercone, designer

"With Arms Wide Open" by Creed

—Akeem Lawanson, online producer

"Valerie" by Amy Winehouse

—Heather Schroering, nightlife reporter

HOW TO NOT SUCK AT KARAOKE

By Heather Schroering | REDEYE

Josh Robertson's first karaoke experience was a disaster. Sunburned and dehydrated after sitting at a baseball game all day, he took the stage and hit the first line of David Bowie's "Golden Years." Nailed it. Drawing a blank on the second line, he looked to the television where the lyrics appear, and the screen was black. His golden moment ended in boos from the crowd.

"When I walked on, I think I unplugged the TV from the wall," Robertson said, nearly two decades later. "I don't know that I redeemed myself, I just know that I embarrassed myself."

Now a co-host of Good Luck Karaoke in Dallas, Robertson, aka DJ Hammertimez, has some advice for first-time performers.

Come prepared. Choose a few songs that are within your vocal range beforehand and listen to them to familiarize yourself. Even if you think you know a song, some could be harder to perform than expected.

When selecting a song, shorter tracks are better to keep the crowd engaged. Some genres don't translate well. Avoid hip-hop and rap songs, "unless you know it backwards and forwards ... because you're basically the whole song, and there's no time to take a breath," he said. Heavy metal, hardcore punk and screamo also fall into that category. "It's hard to see that violent aggression come across when you don't have a band behind you, and you're just a dude who just got off work."

Keep it light. Nothing sucks the energy out of the room more than when the performer is crying over an ex. Robertson suggests staying away from serious songs, angry breakup songs, pre-song dedications to the deceased or someone who isn't in the room, and wedding toasts. "It's hard to have karaoke and a therapy session at the same time," he said.

There's safety in numbers, so bringing a few backup singers doesn't hurt. But Robertson says no more than three people on stage at a time. "We don't want your entire kickball team singing Chumbawamba—when you get seven people on stage, it's a root canal of karaoke."

Be confident. "If they can't hit a note, but they can do it with conviction and enjoy themselves, that's all that matters," Robertson said. Sing into the microphone, and if you mess it up, keep going. Don't walk off in defeat.

Have fun. Taking yourself too seriously sets you up for failure. Remember, karaoke is a social event. "For me, it has to be fun, and fun has to be funny," Robertson said. "Fun doesn't mean I just saw the best singer I've ever seen in my life. There's just as much fun in [bleeping] up as there is in nailing a song perfectly. That's the perspective that you have to take." **THIS STORY FIRST APPEARED IN THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE IN JULY 2014.**

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MONTHLY CONCERT GUIDE

Variety pack

**THE CAN'T-MISS
CONCERTS IN MARCH,
FROM CARLY RAE JEPSEN
TO LEON BRIDGES TO
FALL OUT BOY**

Fall Out Boy

March 12 at United Center

The onetime pop-punk idols have gradually morphed into pop radio omnivores, collaborating with everyone from Demi Lovato to Azealia Banks. The music on "American Beauty/American Psycho" can be similarly tricky to pin down, veering from disco-punk outbursts to ridiculous, pop culture-referencing jams like "Uma Thurman."

By Andy Downing | FOR REDEYE

The Chicago concert season, much like the weather, continues to heat up in March, packing in a mix of arena shows (The Who, Fall Out Boy), theater concerts (Leon Bridges, Chvrches) and club gigs (Foxing, Freakwater) that should appeal to music fans of all stripes. Here are the month's 25 best shows.

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Julia Holter

March 2 at Constellation

On "Loud City Song," singer-songwriter Julia Holter crafts sweeping, cinematic songs inspired in part by the 1958 MGM musical "Gigi."

Le Butcherettes

March 3 at Subterranean

The trio's live shows can be intense, gut-busting affairs. Recall Lollapalooza 2011, when the rockers' drummer repeatedly projectile vomited from behind his kit without once losing track of the beat.

Angela James

March 4 at Constellation

Country/roots crooner (and 2013 RedEye Chicago Artist to Watch, natch) Angela James celebrates the release of her sophomore LP, "Time Will Tell."

Logic

March 4 at Aragon Ballroom

In spite of his chosen name, the rising rapper's career arc largely has defied logic. Witness the MC's sophomore album, "The Incredible True Story," which debuted atop the Billboard Hip-Hop/R&B Albums chart without the aid of a hit single.

Carrie Rodriguez

March 5 at Old Town School of Folk Music

The Austin, Texas-based musician sings in both English and Spanish on "Lola," a batch of Tex-Mex flavored tunes that metaphorically breaks down border walls.

Foxing

March 6 at Subterranean

On "Dealer," the St. Louis-based emo crew rips through searing, evocative tunes that transform frontman Conor Murphy's battered, fragile words into shimmering epics that project strength.

The Who

March 10 at United Center

The legendary British rockers might have referred to this as their final tour, but they're not quite ready to relax yet. "They brought me a chair!" Pete Townshend laughed after a roadie rolled a seat onstage during a 2015 Ohio stop. Needless to say it was removed in short order.

Carly Rae Jepsen

March 12 at Metro

The singer behind "Call Me Maybe" transitioned from potential one-hit wonder to

tastemaker-approved pop starlet with her sophomore LP, "Emotion," an album that helped the singer land a slot at this summer's Pitchfork Music Festival.

Dr. Dog

March 12 at Riviera Theatre

The shaggy Dog crew recently released "The Psychedelic Swamp," which sets gloriously ramshackle rockers alongside twisted country ballads and trippy, blues-informed numbers that sound like they lurched forth from the album's titular sludge.

Chvrches

March 13 and 14 at Riviera Theatre

"We will take the best parts of ourselves and make them gold," Lauren Mayberry sings in the midst of the band's latest. The line could've doubled as a mission statement during recording sessions, which found the bandmates taking the elements that shaped their 2013 debut—neon '80s synthesizers, danceable programmed drums and emotionally raw lyrics—and polishing them until they gleamed.



Leon Bridges
March 11 at Chicago Theatre
 Both the singer's fashion sense—in press images Bridges generally sports high-waist pants and crisp, wide-collar shirts—and his retro-soul sound come on as though he were transported here direct from the 1950s.

Leon Bridges
 LENNY GILMORE/REDEYE FILE

Titus Andronicus and Craig Finn
March 13 at Thalia Hall
 This double-bill pairs one wordy frontman who favors searing diatribes (Patrick Stickles of Titus Andronicus) with another who has become increasingly invested in slower, moodier character studies (the Hold Steady's Craig Finn).

Matmos
March 15 at Thalia Hall
 The electronic duo found inspiration for its latest, "Ultimate Care II," in the most unexpected of places: the laundromat. Songs build around sloshing, soapy effects and whirring digital freak-outs that suggest the funkier of washing machines.

New Order
March 16 at Chicago Theatre
 The British dance-rock legends visit town in support of their latest LP, "Music Complete."

Greg Dulli
March 18 at Old Town School of Folk Music
 Expect the unexpected in this visit from the Afghan Whigs singer, who is adept at covering everyone from Prince to the Zombies, in addition to drawing upon his own shadowy, seductive catalog.

Rachel Platten
March 19 at Park West
 The "Fight Song" singer loads her debut LP, "Wildfire," with similarly uplifting fare, coming on like Tony Robbins with a more pleasing voice and a sharper ear for melody.

Mavis Staples
March 19 and 20 at Thalia Hall
 Staples' remarkable late-career renaissance continues with the M. Ward-produced "Livin' on a High Note." "In the march for peace, tell them I played the drum," the legend sings near the album's close. The beat remains as strong as ever.

Jose Gonzalez
March 21 at Rockefeller Chapel
 The latest from the meditative folk singer exudes bedroom intimacy, awash in gentle songs colored with handclaps, acoustic picking and Gonzalez's ever-calming vocals.

Gogol Bordello
March 22 and 23 at Metro
 Few carnivals are as colorful and lively as the musical output from this gypsy-rock collective, which has a knack for making concert halls feel like lively street fests.

Cullen Omori
March 24 at Lincoln Hall
 The former Smith Westerns singer steps out on his own with a solo album ("New Misery," out March 18 on Sub Pop) and this companion tour.

Eighth Blackbird with Bryce Dessner and David T. Little
March 25 at the Museum of Contemporary Art
 Chicago's contemporary chamber music collective pairs with Bryce Dessner of the National and drummer/composer David T. Little for a can't-miss show.

Snails
March 25 at Concord Music Hall
 The Montreal DJ prefers booming, hip-hop-inflected beats that move with far more speed and agility than his namesake.

Yung Lean
March 26 at Concord Music Hall
 Yung Lean garnered more than 13 million YouTube views for his "Kyoto" video, which found the sleepy Swedish MC rapping about a few of his favorite things, including "Mario Kart," pizza and the Wu-Tang Clan.

Flatbush Zombies
March 31 at Concord Music Hall
 The hazy Brooklyn, N.Y., hip-hop trio hits town in support of its drugged-out debut long-player, "3001: A Laced Odyssey."



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Morris,** Friday,
Oct. 28 (\$37.50-
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at Allstate Arena.

The Kills, L.A. Witch,
Monday, May 23
(\$30, 18+) at Riviera

Theatre.

Kyle Gass Band,
Sunday, April 17 (\$15,
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Thursday, June 9
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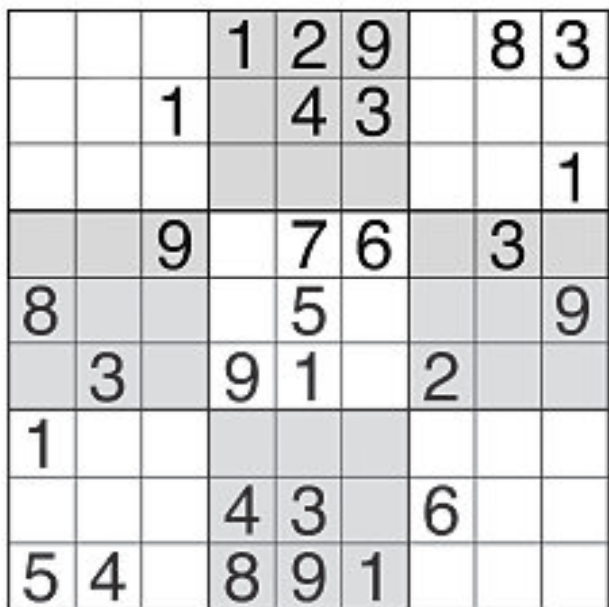


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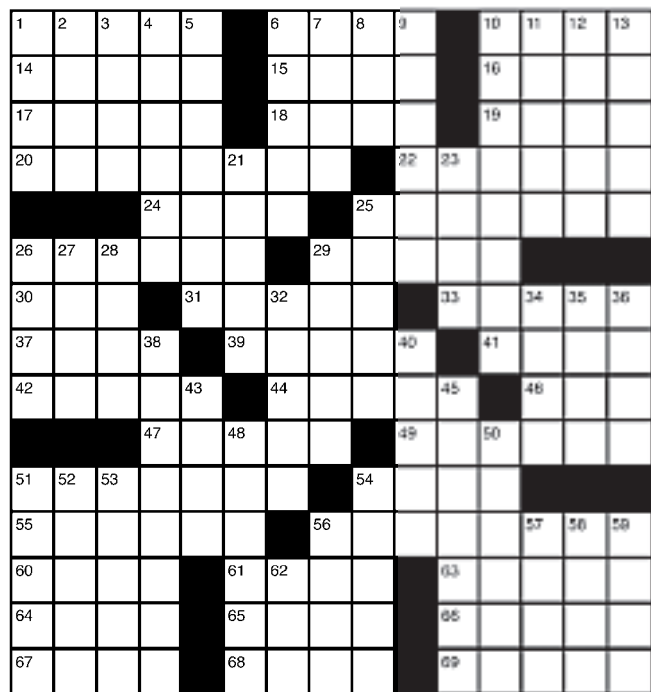


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That's how many people tuned in to the Oscars on Sunday evening. According to variety.com, the telecast was down 7.6 percent from last year (37.257 million), and it was the show's smallest overall audience in eight years. Welp, at least Leo won, right?

More 'NCIS'

CBS has renewed "NCIS" for two more seasons. According to ew.com, CBS Entertainment president Glenn Geller said the show continues to excel at a high level, especially considering it's in its 13th season. "NCIS" still often draws more than 20 million viewers a week when counting DVR playback, EW reported. Geller added, "It is testimony to an amazing cast, led on and off the screen by the exceptional Mark Harmon, for skillfully bringing this universally appealing team of heroes to life," and went on to also credit the show-runner and writers.

THE DIGIT

\$1B

That's how much money the box office in China pulled in in February. According to thr.com, that's the second time in history the Chinese box office has surpassed North America's. The North American box office total for February is expected to come in at just under \$800 million.

THE QUOTE

"Everyone tells you that you should love your body the way it is. But then it is bad to say that you want to change something about yourself not because you want to look like someone else, just because you want to? What's wrong with that?"

—**Iggy Azalea**, to Elle Canada magazine, about plastic surgery, according to eonline.com. The rapper, who has been open about her own procedures, said people should be more accepting of the fact that "both famous and non-famous women" have cosmetic procedures.



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C'mon, Sam Smith

Sam Smith got a chance of a lifetime on Sunday. He performed his now Oscar-winning song "Writing's on the Wall," from the latest James Bond movie, at the Oscars. But even still, Smith called it the "worst moment" of his life. Whaaaat? Yep. According to spin.com, Smith told the BBC, "Singing was horrible. I hated every minute." OK, dude. Do you think maybe incorrectly saying that you were the first openly gay man to win an Oscar outranks the singing in terms of "worst moment"?



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There's a Lonely Island movie?

We didn't even know this was happening, but Universal Pictures now has a name for its Lonely Island comedy: "Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping." According to variety.com, Andy Samberg will be playing "singer/rapper Conner4Real, who faces a crisis of popularity after his sophomore album flops." Akiva Schaffer, Jorma Taccone, Sarah Silverman, Tim Meadows and Maya Rudolph are also set to star. The movie is expected to hit theaters June 3.

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